

**Verizon Wireless' Amendments to HB 33**

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**Section 1.** Section 10-4-201, MCA, is amended to read:

**"10-4-201. Fees imposed for telephone exchange access services.** (1) Except as provided in 10-4-202:

(a) for basic 9-1-1 services, a fee of 25 cents a month per access line on each service subscriber in the state is imposed on the amount charged for telephone exchange access services, wireless telephone service, or other 9-1-1 accessible services; and

(b) for enhanced 9-1-1 services, a fee of 25 cents a month per access line on each service subscriber in the state is imposed on the amount charged for telephone exchange access services, wireless telephone service, or other 9-1-1 accessible services.

(2) The subscriber paying for exchange access line services is liable for the fees imposed by this section. ~~Fees imposed in this section must be collected by the provider as follows:~~

~~(a) An exchange access services provider and 9-1-1 accessible services provider shall impose a fee equal to the fees established in subsection (1) on the bill of the subscriber of exchange access line services and 9-1-1 accessible services. The subscriber is liable for the fee.~~

~~(b) A prepaid wireless telephone service provider shall remit an amount equal to the fees established in subsection (1) after collecting the amount using one of the following options:~~

~~(i) on a monthly basis, the prepaid service provider shall collect an amount equal to the fees established in subsection (1) from each active prepaid subscriber whose account balance is equal to or greater than the fees established in subsection (1); or~~

~~(ii) the prepaid service provider shall divide the total intrastate monthly revenue by the average revenue for each prepaid subscriber of the wireless industry to determine the number of prepaid subscribers. The fees established in subsection (1) are then applied to the number of prepaid subscribers.~~

(3) The provider shall collect the fees. The amount of the fees collected by the provider is considered payment by the subscriber for that amount of fees.

(4) Any return made by the provider collecting the fees is prima facie evidence of payments by the subscribers of the amount of fees indicated on the return."